

next month and many more after that no doubt. An impressive contribution to life on planet earth, made quietly and continuously in a bright little corner of 21 Country.

"If we look in the future this space is gonna be too small to have all the impact and innovation," says Blume. "I don't know what we'll see in the next hundred years."

CELEBRATING 70 YEARS OF STEEL WAREHOUSE

HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 25, 2017

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Steel Warehouse Company and join them in celebrating 70 years of success.

Three generations ago, the Lerman family set up a small shop, which quickly expanded its capabilities and began serving South Bend, Indiana, and the surrounding communities. Now 70 years later, with more than 600 employees, Steel Warehouse has established a global industrial network to deliver high-quality materials to their customers. This family-owned business sets a high bar within the steel industry, and I am so grateful for the outstanding innovation and quality of service Steel Warehouse provides.

A leader in its field, Steel Warehouse uses the incredible strength of large, powerful machinery while harnessing the brainpower of its highly skilled engineers, operators, and technicians. The company's commitment to steady growth has enabled it to expand far beyond its headquarters in South Bend. In fact, with fourteen locations, Steel Warehouse employs workers across the U.S., Mexico and Brazil, and utilizes a growing relationship with steel mills throughout the Midwest and around the world to purchase the best supply for its customers.

Not only have this company's capabilities increased immensely with new technology and growing markets in the Midwest, the Lerman family's unique adaptability and dynamic ingenuity has created a business model built on creativity and problem-solving. As the State of Indiana continues to lead the nation in steel production, Steel Warehouse is an extraordinary example for businesses across Indiana and the United States.

It is a privilege and an honor to represent Steel Warehouse, the Lerman family, and the hardworking employees who have played such a positive role in northern Indiana's growing economy for decades. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Indiana's 2nd District, I want to thank Steel Warehouse for an incredible 70 years, and I look forward to the continued growth and expansion that lies ahead.

CONGRATULATING DANIEL KORTEN AND KRISTINA GAYAGOY

HON. BONNIE WATSON COLEMAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 25, 2017

Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Daniel Korten and

Kristina Carl (KC) Gayagoy on their upcoming wedding on September 9, 2017.

Daniel of East Brunswick and KC of Ventnor met each other working at the Dow Jones' offices in South Brunswick, New Jersey. Daniel and KC went on their first date on August 6, 2011. What started from a single date grew into a loving and flourishing relationship of more than six years.

In that time they have traveled the globe, embarked on new and exciting careers, and have moved across the country. Each step on their journey has been filled with wonder as their love for one another grew. Through thick and thin, Daniel and KC have proven that true love exists and that when you find that special person, you will never be alone.

On Saturday, September 9, 2017, Daniel and KC will confess their love for one another in front of their friends and families—marking the special occasion as the beginning of the next chapter of their journey together. I wish them both a long, joyful, and healthy marriage. May their love only grow stronger and may they always be blessed.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in Congress to join me in congratulating Daniel and KC.

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC., DR. PAULETTE C. WALKER

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 25, 2017

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding work of a visionary and a dedicated leader of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Dr. Paulette C. Walker. Dr. Walker has dedicated her life to improving the lives of others through education and public service. Today, I am grateful to recognize her selfless dedication and honor her valuable contributions to our community.

Dr. Walker served as the 25th National President of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. A Detroit native she is now a proud Floridian calling the Tampa Bay area home since February 1990. Dr. Walker has served Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on the local, regional and national levels for more than 45 years.

Dr. Walker was initiated into Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. through the Epsilon Epsilon Chapter in 1966 and earned her bachelor's degree in mathematics education from Michigan State University, master's degree in guidance and counseling from the University of Michigan, and her doctorate of education in administration and supervision also from UM.

Dr. Walker's research was on curriculum and instruction as well as administration and supervision with a focus on urban schools. She has also served as a classroom teacher, middle school and high school counselor, director of counseling, assistant principal and district-wide supervisor of state and federal projects. Her education, experience and expertise even combined to help her co-author a book, "We Can Have Better Urban Schools."

In July 2011, she retired as the Director of Undergraduate Programs and Internship in the College of Education at the University of South Florida.

Throughout her career, Dr. Walker received numerous awards from several professional,

civic and religious organizations. These flowed from her hard work and belief that every person has a special gift that should be shared with the world. She is the recipient of the Hank Nuwer Anti-Hazing Hero Award; Ronald McNair Scholars Research Mentor Award; Ronald McNair Scholars Role Model Mentor Award; Outstanding Undergraduate Advisor Award from the University of South Florida; Certificate of Merit, Institutional Award, American College Testing Program and National Academic Advising Association; and the President's Affirmative Act Award, University of South Florida.

Dr. Walker is an active member of Mt. Olive AME Church in Tampa, Florida where she serves on the Trustee Board. Her other professional and community affiliations include: Board of Supervisors for Coahoma County; Member of the Council of Presidents—The National Pan-Hellenic Council; PACE Center for Girls Advisory Board; Moffitt Cancer Center African American Advisory Board; Mt. Olive Tampa Community Development Center, Mt. Pleasant Charter School Advisory Board. The State of Florida has recognized how valuable her counsel can be and appointed her to the Governor's Commission on African American Affairs. Also, at the state level she serves on the American Cancer Society's Hank Warren Advisory Board. Our neighbors also don't lack for her service and vision as she serves in Hillsborough County on the Literacy Volunteers of America Board of Directors, American Diabetes Association Board of Directors, Bible-Based Christian Fellowship Academy Board of Directors and Moffitt Cancer Center Community Council Research Board.

Mr. Speaker, on the behalf of my neighbors in my hometown and indeed the entire Tampa Bay community where she has touched so many lives, we thank Dr. Paulette C. Walker for inspiring everyone to find their special gift and serve the world. I am proud to honor the "Devastating Diva of Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority, Inc.," Dr. Paulette C. Walker for her uncompromising commitment to her country, state and community for more than 50 years.

CELEBRATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF SUGAR NOTCH

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 25, 2017

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor for me to join the residents of Sugar Notch, Pennsylvania in celebrating the borough's 150th Anniversary.

The last 150 years have proven transformative for the borough, demonstrating its vitality and strong sense of community. Originally a part of Hanover Township, Sugar Notch first began to develop its independent identity when its early pioneers constructed log homes and harvested maple syrup from local forests. On April 3rd of 1867, Sugar Notch officially became a borough, home to 53 households and a large boarding house. From there, it carved out its place in Luzerne County and in the Commonwealth's history. The construction of railroads helped bring a thriving coal industry to the borough. Several small businesses and schools quickly followed, and, by 1870, Sugar Notch's original population had more than doubled.

Over the years, the Sugar Notch community grew and thrived. It contributed not just to Pennsylvania, but also to the entire nation, sending many soldiers to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces. In 1948, the borough displayed its dedication to its servicemembers by erecting a memorial bearing the names of local war heroes. It was the first memorial in the U.S. to honor the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and the unveiling of the memorial drew more than 4,000 attendees, as well as former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt.

This year, the borough of Sugar Notch celebrates its 150th Anniversary, recognizing its long record of history and service. The event will be marked by a reenactment of the dedication of the FDR Memorial, and the publication of a commemorative booklet that will no doubt pass on the borough's story to future generations. I am honored to represent Sugar Notch, Pennsylvania and take great pride in the borough's history, success, and sense of community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the borough of Sugar Notch's 150th Anniversary.

HONORING MRS. EMMA L. KERN
BLACK ON THE OCCASION OF
HER 80TH BIRTHDAY

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 25, 2017

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Mrs. Emma L. Kern Black on the occasion of her 80th birthday, which was celebrated on January 8, 2017.

Emma was born in Kosciusko, Mississippi to Mr. Jimmy and Manella Kern in 1937. Graduating as valedictorian of her high school in 1955, Emma went on to receive her Bachelor of Science degree from Jackson State College and receive her Master of Science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1965. During her time in college, Emma became a member of organizations such as Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, the Sunday School Organization and the Who's Who in Colleges and Universities.

With a love for education, Emma began her career as a third grade teacher at Oak Park Elementary School in Laurel, Mississippi in 1959 until 1964. Emma went on to serve in the Broward County Public School System as a primary early childhood education specialist until her retirement in 1995. During her career, Emma collaborated and led multiple educational projects and served on student and teacher evaluation teams representing the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges. Emma additionally was an adjunct professor at Nova University of Broward County.

As an active member of First Baptist Church Piney Grove in Fort Lauderdale, Emma served as organizer, musician and director of the Junior Choir for 26 years and Sunday School teacher and musician for over 40 years. This dedication and devotion resulted in her being recognized with the "Women in Religion" award by the Broward County Chapter of Charmettes, Inc. in 2002. Emma's community activities involve: The Lakeside Homeowners Association; the Board of Adjustment for the City of Oakland; Rock Island Elementary

School Improvement Team; the Broward County School Readiness Coalition; the Cradle Nursey Boards of Director; the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); the Urban League of Broward County; as well as being a Golden Life Member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Alumni Chapter of Fort Lauderdale; a member of the Jackson State University Alumni Association; and Broward County Retired Teachers Association.

After more than 40 years of public service, Emma enjoys traveling domestically and internationally with her husband Dr. Malcolm Black, whom she met the first night of college at a freshmen gathering on campus.

Mr. Speaker, I have had the great privilege of knowing Mrs. Emma Kern Black for many years. I am so happy to be able to honor her on the occasion of her 80th birthday, and wish her many more years of happiness and success.

TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF MR. IRWIN
STOVROFF

HON. WALTER B. JONES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 25, 2017

Mr. JONES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a remarkable man who has dedicated his life to improving the lives of veterans.

Irwin Stovroff, originally from Buffalo, NY, was shot down over France in August of 1944, during his last mission as a Bombardier with the 44th Bomb Group during World War II. Upon parachuting down to safety, Stovroff landed in Nazi-occupied territory. Fearing the Nazis would discover his Jewish roots, Stovroff removed his dog tags before his capture. Upon capture, Stovroff was recognized by one of the Nazi interrogators from his hometown in New York. In fact, Stovroff had been the Nazi interrogator's newspaper boy. Fortunately, the Nazi interrogator saved his life by putting a "question mark" on his records.

After liberation from the Nazi POW camp, Stovroff returned to the United States where he finished his education, married, and started a family. He led a successful post-military career in furniture, but at the age of 75, began to volunteer at a VA Medical Center in South Florida.

While working over the years to get our veterans the benefits and care they so deserve, Stovroff noticed that the Department of Veterans Affairs does not receive any funding to provide service dogs to veterans. Knowing the great benefit that service dogs can have on the rehabilitation of veterans, he was determined to change that.

In 2006, at the age of 84, Stovroff launched Vets Helping Heroes, an organization dedicated to financing the acquisition and training of service dogs for wounded veterans and active duty military personnel. Along with his board of directors and donors, Stovroff has now raised over \$4.5 million to pay for trained service dogs for more than 400 wounded veterans.

As Mr. Stovroff continues to help and change the lives of veterans, it is my hope that he feels a deep sense of accomplishment and pride for the outstanding contributions he

has made to our veterans and military. I believe I can speak on behalf of our country in thanking him for his extraordinary efforts.

CELEBRATING THE KEYSTONE JOB
CORPS CENTER'S 150TH ANNI-
VERSARY

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 25, 2017

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor for me to recognize the Keystone Job Corps on its 50th Anniversary.

For the past 50 years, the Keystone Job Corps Center has helped young people in Pennsylvania's 11th District realize their potential through work training and continued education. Keystone, and its dedicated faculty, make it possible for students to find their path forward—whether that be immediately entering the workforce, or through other higher education opportunities.

But Keystone's investment in its students does not stop there. The center teaches students how to be active members of their communities. I witnessed this firsthand when I was Mayor of Hazleton. I saw Keystone students work tirelessly to restore old sidewalks around City Hall. They even took part in a downtown beautification project—designing trash receptacles that are admired to this day. They continue to participate in the United Way's annual Thanksgiving Dinner and volunteer with Habitat for Humanity.

In a similar way, the Hazleton area community gives back to Keystone. Keystone has a strong relationship with the Butler Township Police Department—one that has been ongoing for the past five decades. Officers will come to campus to talk to students interested in a career in security, and discuss the rewards of being in law enforcement. Local church leaders will come to the center to give students a chance to talk to someone if something is bothering them. Retired members of the community will drop by to tutor students. I've even been able to provide Keystone students with a unique insight into our nation's political process through internships in my offices here in Pennsylvania's 11th Congressional District. Keystone has become a staple in the Hazleton area community—something that is clearly seen in the partnerships it has developed.

As someone who grew up in Hazleton, I am eternally grateful for the work the center does on behalf of its students and our community. As a Member of Congress and as the Republican Chair of the Congressional Job Corps Caucus, I commend Keystone and its faculty for working every day to change the course of a young person's life through engagement and education. I congratulate the Keystone Job Corps Center on all it has accomplished in the last 50 years, and I wish its staff, faculty, and students all the best throughout the next 50 years.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Keystone Job Corps on its 50th Anniversary.